

COMMERCIAL

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat—No. 1, 10s 6d per bushel; No. 2, 10s 3d per bushel...

MELBOURNE MARKETS. The Fresh Food and Frozen Storage Co., Ltd., report—Chicken—Prime, 10s 6d per bushel...

HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS. You want to see the local paper a successful institution. Talk about it wherever you go.

H. G. B. E. L. O. C. H. FAMILY BUTCHER, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

DR. ADAM. M.B., CH.D., May in future be consulted at his Private Residence (next to Police Station).

DR. D. O. WHITE, M.B., CH.D., Late Resident Medical Officer Melbourne Hospital, begs to announce that he has commenced the practice of his profession in Beaufort...

Important Announcement. Mr J. W. Harris, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST, REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON.

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Mr J. W. Harris, junr., B.D.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist, BEAUFORT. Teeth fitted accurately in vulcanite or gold...

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. Church of England—St. George's, 11 a.m.; St. John's, 7 p.m.

THE Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, JAN. 1, 1898.

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A rough statement prepared by the President of the Beaufort Athletic Club (Mr. H. M. Stuart) shows a profit of £110 on the Boxing Day sports...

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUBS. BOXING DAY SPORTS. President—Mr H. M. Stuart. Secretary—Mr A. C. Welsh.

The 26th sports meeting in connection with the Beaufort Athletic Club was held on Boxing Day in the Park. The weather was not at all suitable for outdoor sports...

A shocking tragedy was enacted at the Clifton Hill during Sunday night, the result being that a son has been arrested on a charge of murdering his father.

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With reference to the granting of the franchise to the married-Union population of the Rand, President Kruger has declared that it shall be granted only to those burghers whose marriages in the Transvaal, and not to those who married in England or Germany.

So many myths (says the Liverpool Mercury) have been ruthlessly destroyed by the scientific historian that when a story is discovered which has an authentic basis it deserves to be treasured, and the evidence of its truth kept in remembrance.

As usual during the Xmas holidays there were a large number of private pic-nicking, shooting and fishing excursions to favorite spots around the district.

The careless use of fire by a party of picnickers on the Carrington Estate on Monday was responsible for the destruction of a handsome plantation of the English trees, covering 7 acres, and planted 32 years ago.

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CHAMPION DISTRICT HIGH JUMP. Silver medal. For residents within a radius of 20 miles.—R. Kirkpatrick. Height cleared 5ft.

BEAUFORT CUP, 130 yds. £5, £2, £1. 1st heat—G. J. Cowell, 10yds, 1; R. G. Kirkpatrick, 9yds, 2; W. Kelly, 8yds, 3.

OPEN HIGH JUMP (handicap). 15s, 5s. —K. Simpson, 1; R. Kirkpatrick, 2.

TWO-MILE BICYCLE RACE. £6, £2, £1. 1st heat.—R. S. Cook, 30yds, 1; W. F. Batty, 2yds, 2; Alex. McDougal, 13yds, 3.

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MINING. The mining industry in this district during the past year has been very depressed. Now and again a small patch of payable alluvial ground has been found...

The Bank of Victoria's gold purchases locally for 1896 (up to 21st Decr.) amounted to 3838.5 15wt 4gr, and up to noon yesterday (31st Decr.) the purchases for the past year totalled 33740s 18wt 16gr, so that even with ten extra days given in there is a falling off this year of 4620s 16wt 12gr.

At the suggestion of Mr Reid (Premier of New South Wales), it has been arranged that the Finance Committee of the Federal Convention shall meet at the Premier's office, Melbourne, on the 17th inst., three days prior to the assembling of the Convention...

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FARM FIELD AND GARDEN

WHY IT PAYS TO GROW CLOVER.

As Explained to Hay Farmers by The Rural New Yorker.

It is a fact that the roots of timothy clover about as long and heavy as those of any other clover...

As to selling, prime timothy ranks far above clover in the market. This is not because it is more nutritious...

Why, then, should a hay farmer raise clover at all? The chief reason is that it does a work that timothy never can do.

This nitrogen is the most valuable of fertilizing substances. When we buy it in fertilizers, it costs 17 cents a pound.

Just look at the difference between a ton of clover and a ton of timothy: Clover... 40... 11... 30... 50...

Spurry, a New Plant. Spurry is a new plant in Alabama, and not generally known in the United States.

A Word About Olives. Olives have been cultivated on the coast of Georgia an excellent quality of oil has been produced.

Whistling on Shipboard. If you want to see a disgusted man, just whistle on shipboard before a sailer.

For Blood is the Life. If the blood is laden with impurities it spreads disease as it circulates through the organs of the human body.

A BIT OF RAINMAKING. An Effort to the Hebrides Islands That Was Fruitful of Success.

Lieutenant Boyle T. Somerville of the English navy, who lived many years in the Hebrides islands, tells the following interesting tale regarding the work of a professional native rainmaker.

He at once set to work to weave a sort of hurdle of the branches and leaves of a tree fanned for its rain producing qualities, which, being finished, was placed, with proper incantations, at the bottom of what should have been a water hole in the now parched bed of the mountain torrent.

The lieutenant continues: "Now mark what comes of fooling with the elements! No man of the hill country was able to dive to the bottom of the water hole to pull up the hurdle with its weight of stones, so the mercenary rain still held on.

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The Crawfish and the Levees. "Whenever I hear of a break in the levee down in my district, I know that nine chances to one a crawfish has caused it.

It may be said without exaggeration that weeding forms an important factor in the masculine vocabulary of nearly every civilized nation.

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CHANGE OF LIFE.

COUPLED WITH DIZZINESS AND SHORTNESS OF BREATH.

What Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will do for women at the change of life is shown in a case reported in the Dewsbury (Eng.) Chronicle.

"I saw an account in a newspaper of a cure similar to mine through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and my husband urged me to try them.

The genuine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold only in wooden boxes, about two inches in length, each of which is encased in a blue waxed paper.

As a spring medicine, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills surpasses all other remedies. Their action on the blood and nerves is prompt, and the effect is wonderful.

NEWSPAPER LAW.

- 1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, in writing, are considered as wishing to continue their subscriptions.

REMINING LEASES.

It is notified for general information that applicants for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to lodging the application, to insert in a newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or if no such newspaper, then in one published nearest the district, an advertisement or notice in the form subjoined.

A PRIZE POEM.

A syndicate of Western (American) editors offered 100,000 dollars for the best appeal to newspaper subscribers to pay up their subscriptions.

Clark's B-4 Pills are warranted to cure, in either sex, all acquired or constitutional discharges from the Urinary Organs, Gravel, and Pains in the Back.

Business man—"You remember that 'ad' I had in your paper, and took out two months ago? Well, I want to have it put back again."

WHAT MAKES THEM CRY?

You have a very sore finger, let us say. It may be a hurt, a boil, or, worse still, that fearful painful thing, a felon.

"What is the principle on which Mrs. Elizabeth Allen could bear the last one? She had no sore finger, but she had what was still more sensitive—a body full of sore nerves; weak, starting, unstrung nerves.

"For many years," she says, "I suffered from indigestion and weakness. After meals I had a great pain in my chest. Every day I had an attack of sick headache, and I was constantly lying down on the couch; I strained and heaved a good deal, and spat up a nauseous fluid.

"I took all sorts of medicines and consulted doctors, but nothing did me much good. Later on I came to hear of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and after trying it for a few days, the disease left me, and I was able to rest and digest my food.

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WOOL RATES.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Rate. Locations include Beaufort, Bunger, Dolans, Middle Creek.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Infants.

"The greatest aid you can give your newspaper is your job printing; if you do not feel able to run an advertisement, surely you can afford to give the newspaper your cards, folders, bill-boards, letter-heads, envelopes, and all business printing to execute.

PAYNE.—During this month the balance of stock in the estate of H. F. Bateson and Sons will be cleared at sale prices.

PAYNE.—The largest stock of good paper in Ballarat to select from, amounting to upwards of 500 different designs.

PAYNE.—Ladies' gold watches, reliable makes only, 70s to 17s. Two only, extra cases, 15s; price 10 guineas each.

PAYNE.—A splendid selection of handkerchiefs and handkerchiefs, all at sale prices.

PAYNE.—A splendid selection of gold jewelry, links at 12s 6d, 15s, 17s 6d, 20s.

PAYNE.—A splendid selection of silver jewelry, links at 12s 6d, 15s, 17s 6d, 20s.

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Advertisement for eye spectacles and contact lenses, including contact information for H.A. COLLINS.

Advertisement for H.A. COLLINS, Jeweller, located at 148 Elizabeth-street, Melbourne.

Advertisement for RICHARDS & CO., THE LEADING AND FASHIONABLE BALLARAT PHOTOGRAPHERS.

Advertisement for LE GRAND, THE THOROUGHBRED STALLION.

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BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

Wheat, 5s 6d; oats, 4s 1s; bran, 10d; peas, 4s; pollard, 11d. Barley—English, 4s; Cape, 2s 6d to 2s 8d. Potatoes, to 25s. Hay—Sheaves, L2 5s to L2 12s 6d; manger, L2 10s to L2 15s; straw, L1 5s to L1 10s. Flour, L13 10s to L13 15s. Butter.—Factory, 9d to 10d; prime dairy, 6d to 7d. Eggs, 10d. Cheese.—Prime, 4d to 6d.

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Fat Cattle—271 head came to hand for to-day's sale, principally consisting of middling and useful descriptions—a small proportion ranging from good to prime; no heavy weights yarded. There was an average muster of the trade, and throughout the sales, more especially for quality competition, which ruled active, at prices fully equal to the closing sale of last year. Quotations.—Best pens bullocks, L10 to L10 30s; good, L9 to L9 10s; medium, L7 to L8. Prime pens cows, L6 to L7 8s; good, L5 to L5 10s. Averages—Dunrobin, 18 bullocks, L9 11s 8d; Muntbam, 38 do, L8 7s 9d; Hutton, 38 do, L8 9s 6d; Hutton, 20 cows, L6 13s 7d; Muntbam, 38 bullocks, L7 8s 6d; Muntbam, 20 do, L6 19s 8d. Calves.—32 pened, principally middling sorts, which sold well at an advance; best to 55s. Sheep.—3015 was the supply penned for to-day's sale, only a small proportion being good and prime, balance only very middling quality. There was a fair attendance of the trade and graziers, and principally on account of the somewhat

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Begs to inform the residents of Beaufort and surrounding district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS on the premises lately occupied by Mr. J. B. Cochran, HAYMAKERS-ST., BEAUFORT (NEXT TO THE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE). Mr. HARRIS desires to impress upon the public that only the HIGHEST CLASS OF DRUGS and CHEMICALS will be stocked, and sold at MELBOURNE and BALLARAT PRICES. Prescriptions carefully, conscientiously, and faithfully dispensed under personal supervision. Mr Harris having had considerable

The English Eleven disposed of 18 of Ballarat yesterday for 288 runs; Wanless (80) and Wright (90) being the principal scorers.

Mr W. E. Nickols will sell by public auction on Saturday next, the household furniture and effects of Mr Mathew Kelly, of the Beaufort Hotel, at 1 o'clock, on the premises.

A meeting of the stewards of the Beaufort Jockey Club will be held at Vowles' Camp Hotel on Tuesday evening next, commencing at 8 o'clock.

We notice that at the Ararat sports on New Year's Day J. E. Tilley, a Beaufort pedestrian, won the Ararat Handicap (25 lbs) in 64 4-5th secs.

A lad named John Veal, in the employ of Mr H. Thompson, butcher, Beaufort, whilst riding the horse Hector in the Maiden Plate at the Beaufort races on New Year's Day, collided against a post, and sustained such serious injury to his knee that he had to be removed to the Ballarat Hospital. In the event of Giffen deciding to play in the third test match, it will not be a very easy task to displace a player in order to include him. M'Leod and Noble did so well that their position is assured in any future representative team. Darling, Hill, Gregory, Iredale, and Trott are such artists with the bat that the idea of leaving one out could not be dreamt of for a moment.

On Tuesday the last instalment of the Shiels' bonds, amounting to £250,000, was paid off by the Treasurer, and this brings to a close one of the most unsatisfactory financial transactions the country has suffered under. In 1892 Sir Graham Berry, when Treasurer in the Shiels Ministry, found that the Treasury was short of revenue, and proposed increases of Customs duties, though it was predicted that such a course meant further loss of income. The revenue, instead of increasing, dropped and dropped till the Ministry itself became alarmed, and had to ask Parliament to pass a bill authorising it to sell £750,000 worth of Treasury bonds to raise money to pay the public creditor. The Legislative gave its consent to the borrowing, but this admission of failure to manage the affairs of the country practically killed the Shiels-Berry Ministry, which was ejected from office a fortnight later. The bonds were for three, four, and five years, and bore 4 1/2 per cent interest. The first instalment, due on 1st January, 1896, was paid by Sir George Turner out of the trust funds, but last year the Treasurer was able to spare £65,000 out of the revenue towards meeting the second instalment, and this year he expects to pay nearly the whole £250,000 out of revenue.

THE BEAUFORT RACES.

Unlike the Xmas holidays, when the weather was unbearably hot, New Year's Day was delightfully cool. Under such favorable climatic conditions it was anticipated that there would be an unusually large attendance at the Beaufort races. But the attendance did not exceed that of last year. Ferntree Gully, Mr. Cole, was preferred by a good number, fully 200 people visiting this favorite picnicking resort. As a consequence the attendance at the races was considerably affected. Those, however, who were present at the races were well satisfied with the enjoyment provided, the unanimous opinion being that it was the best day's sport enjoyed here for many years past. The fields were good; the racing of an exceptionally high standard, and the finishes unusually close and exciting. The entries totalled 43 for 7 events, as against 36 last year for 8 events. Owing to the absence of Mr R. A. D. Sindiar, Mr J. McKeich was appointed judge, and he discharged the duties of the office most efficiently, and several events were so closely contested that only those in a line with the winning post could correctly place the horses. As Mr McKeich had a pony competing in the pony race, Cr.

Sweetnut (10.13), unbean (11.5), and Postman (11.3) also started; Santa Claus (11.3) being scratched. Sunbeam made some pace for about a furlong, when Jim forged ahead, maintaining a good lead, and won by six lengths.

HANDICAP TROT, of 5 fms. Two miles. 1st, £4; 2nd, £1. Mr A. McVicar's blk.g. Judge, aged, scr. (owner) ... Mr C. McKenzie's c.g. Brown Hawk, 5 yrs., scr. (owner) ... Mr W. Chisholm's br.m. Jubilee, 5 yrs., 20yds. behd. scr. (R. Knight) ... Other starters—Billy, Midnight, Rossey, Wild Eye, and Falmer (all scratch).

A close finish: Won by two lengths. Jubilee was in a good position before coming into the straight, and was greatly fancied, but broke badly. A protest was lodged against Brown Hawk, on the grounds that he cantered past the post, but after due inquiry, the stewards disallowed it.

FLYING HANDICAP, of 5 fms. Three-quarters of a mile. 1st, £4; 2nd, £1. Mr W. H. Welsh's br.g. Dabchick, aged, 9.5. (McDonnell) ... Mr D. Walker's br.g. The Hope, aged, scr. (G. Ferguson) ... 2nd, ... 3rd, ...

This was a splendid race. Dabchick and the Hope ran neck and neck almost from the start, and both were under the whip in the straight, a most exciting and close finish.

CARROLLA RACES.

The thirty-third annual Carrola and Orphan's Fund was held to the weather on New Year's Day. The numbers of people looking on were the most numerous since the inception of the sports and enjoy the advantage of vehicles loaded with spectators.

At 1 o'clock the reserve race, which consisted of a variety of entries, for all of which there was a close and exciting finish.

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MIDDLE CREEK.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) The annual ball in connection with the Middle Creek Public Hall was held on Friday last (New Year's Eve).

A young man named Fredrick Hammett, a resident of Mr. Cole, had a splinter in his foot when he was driving to Beaufort, when it was found necessary to have several stitches put in his injuries were attended to by Dr. White.

Several specimens and boxes of the most effective relief afforded by the use of the "Bottle of Life" were sent to the Middle Creek Public Hall.

Under four different sections the total selected was 115,479 acres. The first table represents that the general sale of 1896, amounts to 2,777,855 acres while the next table shows that 25,098,022 acres have been taken up under four acts alone.

PRESENTATIONS TO FATHER CLEARY.

On Wednesday, 29th ult., at Maryborough, a presentation was made to Father Cleary on behalf of the bishop and priests of the diocese of Ballarat.

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Father Cleary, in responding, said he gratefully accepted the generous testimonial which they had so kindly offered him on the eve of his departure for New Zealand.

A shocking disaster is reported from London, an important township in Ontario, Canada. A municipal election being in progress, a large meeting was gathered in the City Hall to hear the views of the various candidates.

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REVENUE RETURNS.

According to the revenue returns issued by the Treasury last week, the receipts for the just six months were £3,374,253, being an increase of £1,149,932 as compared with the revenue collected during the first half of 1897.

The New South Wales returns show that the receipts for the past half-year amounted to £4,423,319, against £4,613,646 for the corresponding period in 1896.

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PROHIBITION IN NEW ZEALAND.

Mr. Hawkins, who is the stipendiary magistrate in the Otago district, where prohibition is supposed to be in operation, has submitted a report to the Minister of Justice setting forth his views on the subject.

The "Cologne Gazette" makes a very important statement with respect to the situation in China. It is said that the Chinese Government is negotiating in London for a loan of £16,000,000 to be raised on the security of the Chinese land tax.

Yielding to the representations of the Minister of Defence and the military commandant, it has been agreed by the Treasurer to place a sum of about £2,000 on the estimates for the purpose of holding the annual military encampment at Engwarrin.

The "Queen" has an interesting article on "Flour and Bread in the East." Early pictures of domestic scenes show that bread used to be baked in round cakes, which were crossed by the baker as a superstition.

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SOME OLD TIME GAMES.

Many of the Present Day Sports Were Born out of the Past. It is curious to note how some of the games of the early ages have been handed down to the present time.

The young Greeks, too, were well acquainted with toys and games for their amusement. The toys were chiefly dolls of baked clay, the arms and legs being jointed with string, and these were removable. They had a favorite game called *Cyrtium*, which has been preserved through many ages, and is now played by boys of today under the well known name of *plattis* in the corner.

In France the game is called *plattis* coins, or four corners. Both in the old game and in the modern version five players are required, one occupying each of the corners, while the fifth player stands in the middle.

Save the Forests.

Some years ago the government of Bavaria sent a skilled forester to study the conditions of timber growth in the United States. While here he made the remark, as if speaking of a matter generally known, that he had never seen a forest which was not being cut down.

What an instance of scientific foresight and wisdom that warning! Perhaps it is not yet too late to grope on our own lands the timber we shall need a generation or two hence, but if we are to do so it is time to take rigorous steps to restrict reckless destruction and to encourage scientific cultivation.

While our government sells outright its forest lands for \$2.50 an acre, France obtains almost exactly the same result from each acre of its forest land by sales of timber. We spend our capital; France makes an income, and safeguards the capital.

Some recent improvements in cotton gins are claimed to ensure much greater economy and efficiency than have hitherto been attained, the difficulty being now overcome of obtaining the full length of the various staples on account of the putting of the entire length of the fiber from the rollers.

A book minding scion of the Verdant Isle was seeking intellectual food at the public library and could not quite make up his mind as to the particular literary repast he wished to make.

That cheerfulness can be cultivated is well illustrated by the story of a lady and gentleman who were in a timber yard, situated by a dirty, foul smelling river.

The blood is the life of the body. It carries food and oxygen to every part of the body, and carries away waste products. If the blood is impure, the body is diseased.

VIOLETS.

The woodbird calls, the shadows flee. The sun comes golden from the east. Across the meadow as I stray. For you I take the fern fringed way.

The grasses bend, the dewdrops shine. The hawkmoth's breath is sweet as wine. The soft wind steals with presened wings. To scatter violets wet with dew.

A well dressed man got on the Sixth Avenue elevated the other day and groped along for a strap, which his companion finally placed in his hand.

When this had been communicated to the blind man, the latter turned in the direction of the lady and raised his hat respectfully.

Soft Words. One of the most serious of current beliefs is that of hypocritical lurking in pleasant manners and sincerity in those that are rough or stern.

Old Time Railroad. It is sometimes a matter of surprise to find what mighty good locomotive running has been done in times past when the locomotive was a far inferior machine.

A Modest Request. Joe—You know that \$10 I lent Brown, three or four months ago. Joe—Yes.

Journalism in Serbia. Journalism in Serbia is a peculiar institution. The Schumadski List, which has the reputation of being the leading newspaper of the kingdom.

An exhibitor of wild beasts in Paris has adopted a plan for securing his money which is respectfully submitted to bankers and bondholders generally.

It has been estimated that a gold coin must be handled 2,000,000,000 times before the impression upon it becomes obliterated by friction, and a silver coin 3,250,000,000 times.

Whenever there is friction, there is heat. Hammering a nail rod until it is red-hot or forging a nail without fire are feats of the blacksmith.

The newspaper laborers in the house press gallery now sit on nice velvet seats. They are very popular.

THE "UNFORTUNATE" YOUNG MAN.

It is quite probable that nine-tenths of those whose eyes meet these lines are at some time of other life accused by that questionable number of society whose only excuse for the intrusion is that they want the price of a meal, and perhaps a bed, too.

The unfortunate, alas! may be found in all stations and pursuits of life. Who, indeed, may justly be considered more deserving of pity than the poung a hote, who, 12 months ago, when in the zenith of his fame as Victoria's largest scratch crack of the eye of the Scotch College, Perth, Scotland.

After several months of bed-ridden existence in the Melbourne Hospital, Kirk was able to get about with the help of his cane, and he was able to get about with the help of his cane, and he was able to get about with the help of his cane.

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SNAKE VALLEY AND CARNHAM MINING.

Although the Valley has, during the past 12 months, continued to suffer from the effects of non-production of gold, the year closes with tangible evidence of an early revival in mining.

A work has been carried on in the Snake Valley during the last half year which may be classed as one of the most important not only to the immediate locality, but to the district for many miles around. The mine is being worked principally by British capital. During the early portion of 1897 the operations of the company were confined to the prospecting of the Result and Baker lodes at the 700ft level.

Mr. Baker had for some time previously been working on the same level, but with little success. He had a shaft sunk to the level of 200ft, and was driven on for 200ft south with good clean walls and no disturbance of any description. Instead of hole matter, however, the formation was found to be filled in with country and occasional patches of quartz. The track of the result lode was intersected 200ft further west, and as in the track of the Baker lode, the clean and defined walls were found to be filled in with country.

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WHAT MAKES THEM QUAZE?

You have a very sore finger, let us say. It may be a burn, or a frost, or worse still, that four-fifths of the time of the finger, that the fourth joint of the finger, that the fourth joint of the finger, that the fourth joint of the finger, that the fourth joint of the finger.

That the principle on which Mrs. Elizabeth Allen couldn't bear the least noise, is a fine example of the human mind. She was a woman of a very strong nervous system, and she was a woman of a very strong nervous system, and she was a woman of a very strong nervous system.

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It is notified for general information that applications for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to lodging the application, to insert in a newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or if such newspaper is not published, in the nearest district, an advertisement or notice in the form marked 'A' in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

WOOL RATES.

The Railway Commissioner has fixed the following charges for the conveyance of wool per ton: To Melbourne, To Geelong.

Table with 3 columns: Destination, S. d., and S. d. Values: Bradford 25 6, 22 6; Blunham 30 0, 27 0; Dobies 37 0, 34 0; Muddle Creek 27 0, 24 0.

OF YOU DRY TO DO PLEASANT MENTAL ADVISING, like a boy dying to his old friend, you don't get some show you want make 'em; but you can sometimes shewally always make the advertising come right away quick off, all der year round, with some moneys. —Joseph.

THE GREATEST AID you can give your newspaper is your printing; if you do not feel able to run an advertisement, surely you can afford to give the newspaper your cards, doggers, bill-boards, letter-heads, envelopes, and all business printing to execute. The newspaper man needs it, and it helps him to pay his printers for setting up the thousand and one free notices he gives you and your town; but don't give it to the printer or job printing office that can give you no such return, and is spending neither time, money, nor brains in helping you to build up your town. The time may come when a newspaper can live simply upon the revenue derived from advertising, and subscriptions, but no ordinary newspaper can do this.

THE MEXICAN HAIR RESTORER. VALCARGA DISCOVERY. If your hair is turning gray, or falling off, or thinning, or if you are balding, or if you are losing your hair, or if you are suffering from any of these troubles, then you should use the Mexican Hair Restorer. It will restore your hair to its original color, and make it grow again. It is a most valuable discovery, and it is the only hair restorer that will work.

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COMMERCIAL.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 4s 1d per bushel...

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BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET. Cattle—320 head was the supply...

H. GILLOCH, FAMILY BUTCHER, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

DR. ADAM, M.B., C.M., May in future be consulted at his Private Residence...

DR. D. O. WHITE, M.B., Ch.B., Late Resident Medical Officer, Melbourne Hospital...

REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON, BEAUFORT.

Mr J. W. Harris, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST.

MR. HARRIS HAVING had considerable experience in country and leading Melbourne...

MR. J. W. HARRIS, JUNR., R.D.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. Church of England—St. John's, 11 a.m.

THE Riponshire Advocate, Published every Saturday Morning.

When the rapid rise of the Victorian export trade took place a few years ago...

The secretary of the Beaufort Ladies Benevolent Society desires to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of £5 as a New Year's gift from Captain Bridges...

Mr W. Edward Nickoll... the sale to-day of the household furniture and effects of Mr. Matthew Kuy, at the Beaufort Hotel.

Mr Walter Johnston, blacksmith, of Raglan, met with an accident whilst driving into Beaufort on Thursday morning.

Father Moriarty, who has been acting for some time as assistant to Father O'Neill, at Casterton, has been appointed as successor to the Rev. H. W. Cleary, at Ararat.

The long-continued drought is causing the water at Beaufort to be very low...

On Saturday, 22nd inst., an excursion train will be run from Melbourne to Beaufort, and thence to Erskine...

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MELBOURNE MARKETS. The Fresh Food and Frozen Storage Co. Ltd., report—Cheese—Prime long to 5d...

GEORGE HUGHES & Co. report (12th inst.)—Sheepskins—We offer an average supply to the usual extent of best fat mangers and shipping buyers...

THE HEAT WAVE. BLACK THURSDAY PARALLELED. The almost unparalleled heat wave which was for several days this week so distressing to residents in all parts of the colony...

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THE COLONIAL WINE INDUSTRY.

As the outcome of the discussion with regard to the development of the wine industry of Victoria, comprehensive proposals have been submitted to the Government...

CRICKET.

In the third test match between Australia and Stoddart's English Eleven, the Australians totalled 578. Stoddart's Eleven scored 278 in their first innings...

Table of cricket scores for various matches, including Bowler analysis and England's second innings.

PRINCE RANJITSINGHJI ON THE PLY.

A PERFECT WICKET. AUSTRALIAN BOWLING TOO GOOD. Prince Ranjitsinghji, on being interviewed by 'Sydney Morning Herald'...

MINING.

The following are the reported local yields for the week ending Saturday last...

A few drops of the liquid 'Floriline' sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant effect...

An extraordinary epidemic of suicide is creating great alarm and uneasiness at present in society in Washington, U.S.A.

A Brooklyn physician translates the following from a German writer: 'The apple is such a common fruit...

FAREWELL AT CASTERTON TO FATHER MORIARTY.

The Sacred Heart branch of the H.A.C.B. Society at Casterton, in which the Rev. Father Moriarty has shown deep interest...

The widest of oceans has a winking eye. The longest of rivers has an end. And such is the moment of taking. The last fond leave of a friend.

FEDERAL CONVENTION.

THE LATEST FROM KLONDYKE.

NOTICE.

THE HIGHEST SHOW OF PHOTOGRAPHS IN AUSTRALIA are now being exhibited at RICHARDS & CO., BALLARAT STUDIO.

MESSRS D. TROY & SON, BEAUFORT. In order to notify the farmers and others...

THE BALLARAT COURIER says that an early perfection as modern photography can be obtained...

BRIDAL BONNETS KEPT AT THE STUDIO. RICHARDS & CO., BEAUFORT.

LAST DAYS. LAST DAYS. To those who are in a hurry to buy...

PROCEEDS IN AID OF THE CAUSES. Tickets only 1s, each, should be bought as one from the Local Agents...

SEVERAL RESIDENTS OF STAWELL, including two borough councillors, have been summoned for wasting water.

CLARKES & H. PULLS are warranted to carry out all the work connected with the discharge from the Urinary Organs, Gall, and Pancreas...

THE LEGAL MACHINE is often a slow moving concern, and it is only now that proceedings are being taken to test the validity of the Orange procession...

ADJUSTMENT OF CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF THE GREAT MELBOURNE FIRE is now approaching completion. It has been proved that £700,000...

ONE OF THE OLDEST FARMERS in the Laan district, Mr Patrick Heenan, died on Friday from inflammation...

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REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM ANCONA, a seaport of Italy, that serious rioting has taken place there during the past three days. The riots are said to be due to the high price of bread...

MR W. ALLEN, of Milava, was passing the stove, and was astounded to see a large black snake cooly sucking the sow, along with two little pigs...

THE CUSTOM DUTIES FROM 1st July, 1897, to 15th January of this year amounted to £204,222, showing a decrease of £21,481 compared with the similar period of the previous financial year.

A SHOCKING STATE OF AFFAIRS was revealed at a magisterial inquiry at Bendigo touching the death of an unmarried woman, a landress, 31 years old, named Jane Fabry, who died on Saturday evening.

BEAUFORT DIVISION.

THE General List for the above-mentioned division is now printed, and a copy thereof may be inspected...

BEAUFORT JOCKEY CLUB. A MEETING will be held at LOFT'S RAILWAY HOTEL on TUESDAY evening next, 25th inst., at 8 o'clock...

BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the SHIRE HALL on SATURDAY, the 29th INSTANT, at 4 o'clock p.m.

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COMMERCIAL.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 4 3/4 per bushel, bags 10; flour, 1 1/2 per 40 lbs;...

BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 4 3/4; oats, 1 6/8; bran, 1 1/4;...

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET. Cattle—244 head were the supply penned for today's sale;...

H. G. LLOYD & CO. FAMILY BUTCHERS. 188-190, ST. GEORGE'S STREET, BEAUFORT.

DR. A. D. ADAM, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S. In future be Consulted at his Private Residence (next to Police Station).

DR. D. O. WHITE, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S. Late Resident Medical Officer Melbourne Hospital;...

Important Announcement.

Mr J. W. Harris, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST AND REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON.

Big to inform the residents of Beaufort and surrounding district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS on the premises HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT;...

Mr J. W. HARRIS, JUNR., R.D.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist. HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

Teeth fitted accurately in vulcanite or gold at lowest prices. HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. SUNDAY, 29th JANUARY, 1898.

Church of England—St. John's, 11 a.m.; St. Andrew's, 11 a.m.; St. George's, 11 a.m.;...

THE Riponshire Advocate.

Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, JAN. 29, 1898.

For the third time within a period of twelve months the delegates chosen from the various colonies to draft a federal constitution...

Local and General News.

To-day the fourth test cricket match—England v. Australia, commences in Melbourne. The match between the Ballarat and Beaufort Rifle Clubs...

Another old resident of Snake Valley, Mrs Gardner, aged 78 years, died on Sunday last, from senile decay, leaving behind a husband and grown-up family...

A meeting of the Beaufort Jockey Club was held at the Railway Hotel last night. Present—Messrs Sheehan, in the chair; McKelvie, Vowles, Maher, and Parker...

A w-k-l-n-k-hawker of general merchandise named Samuel Karml, who has been continuously travelling throughout the Wimmera district for about 30 years...

A former of Tongala named Noonan was driving to the beach in his dray when he slipped off and broke his legs below the knee.

On Monday the death was recorded of Mr Daniel Jones, registrar of births, deaths, &c., at Carrington. Death was due to old age and exhaustion caused through hard work.

Two travellers reached the top of Ruapehu after several tries, and took photographs at an altitude of 8,500 ft. The crater is a solid wall of ice, and there are snow-fields covering many acres.

The funeral of Mr Michael Corrigan, of Snake Valley, was held on Sunday, the place of interment being the Carrington Cemetery. The funeral cortege was a great length, mourners being present from all parts of the district.

That some malicious person is bent on destroying Mr W. Edward Nickols from the fact of the high grass in the paddock in which the building is situated...

A very destructive fire occurred in the Chinese Camp, Main Road, at noon on Wednesday, no fewer than 17 habitations being completely gutted. The fire house going into the camp at the Beaufort young Chinaman named Lee Son, who is lately come from Ararat...

The townspeople had another fire scare on Tuesday night on Wednesday morning. The thick smoke from surrounding bush fires hung over the town like a veil, and a large yard lamp in Mr Spollett's yard looked for all the world like the tail of a comet.

At the Beaufort Police Court on Monday before Messrs J. W. Harris and M. J. J. P. Michael Reidy, ex-officio Justices, proceeded against Mary Ann Jaensch, housekeeper of the Tavallia Hotel, defendant denied having stolen the spirit-bottle mentioned that the case was brought under the 43rd section of the Public Health Act.

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Considerable consternation has been caused in the temperance ranks by the publication of a series of tables compiled by the leading authority in the world...

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MIXING NEWS.

Hancock and party are making preparations for an early start on the 31st inst. The required gold—Narnard's party being based on old ground in Gull's Creek...

The yield of gold obtained by the various co-operative parties last week (writes our Waterlool correspondent) were as follows—Lest Chance, 739 10/10; Vowles Ross, 83 11/10...

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES.

Christmas, 1892, will soon be upon us with its accustomed happy meetings and round of festivities.

They are employed by advertising agencies in the metropolis and are hired for from three to five months, according to the climatic conditions of the latitude they are sent to.

A Word About the Russet Shoes. A fashion writer in a morning contemporary writes:

That is the attraction which brown leather boots seem to possess for both men and women, young and old?

The writer of this must have had a singular experience with brown leather. The russet shoes are worn by most people because they are softer and more pliable.

Part of a Talk With Edwin Booth. "Did anybody ever tell you looked like Edgar A. Poe?"

"No," replied Booth, "but the other day in passing up Broadway I was attracted by a portrait in a window which I took for mine, but which was Mr. Poe."

Some people were rather startled this other day at the apparition of a team of the queen's cream-colored horses trotting boldly down Queen's Gate, London.

A Quarrel Between Kings. According to a foreign correspondent Emperor William quarreled with King Humbert because the latter would not call on the Italian troops at midnight with a view to ascertaining their discipline.

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GARDENING FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

The attention of orchardists is now mainly directed towards the crops of fruit, and a large amount of time has to be devoted to the gathering of them, for which a full knowledge of the nature and characteristics of each kind is requisite.

The cherry crop will be already gathered except morelles; the next to ripen are apricots, peaches, nectarines and plums; while some early apples and pears will soon be ready.

As the larva of the codlin moth are still leaving the fruit, attention should be given to the bandages on the stems of the trees so that the caterpillars hidden in them may be destroyed.

The sowing of the seeds of vegetables that require to be planted out in Autumn must now be carried out.

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These things should be made known for the good of others, for I think that the pills are the grandest remedy I ever heard of.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold only in boxes bearing the firm's trade mark and wrapper printed in red ink.

Respecting the great use and also the necessity of always having plenty of water, there is no need to remark; but perhaps many readers may not be aware that it has been known to act as a sleep producer.

Flourishes. For the Teeth and Breath. A few drops of liquid fluorine is poured on a wet tooth-brush.

A safe, permanent, and warranted cure for Pimples, Scrofula, Scurvy, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds.

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GOOD FOOD—GOOD DIGESTION—GOOD HEALTH.

Mr. Charles is located in the stomach, says a recent writer. He is wrong; but there is a shade of truth in the idea.

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LAZZITUDE, HEADACHE, BACKACHE, AND INDIGESTION ARE SYMPTOMS OF A DISORDERED LIVER.

CLEMENTS TONIC IS THE ONLY RELIABLE AND RADICAL CURE. HAVE NO OTHER.

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NEWSPAPER LAW.

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, are considered as wishing to continue their subscriptions.

2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their newspapers, the publisher may continue to send them until areas are paid.

3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their newspapers from the post office to which they are directed, they are held responsible until they settle their bills.

4. If subscribers move to other places without informing the publishers, and the papers are sent to the former direction, the subscribers are responsible.

5. The court has decided that refusing to take periodicals from the post-office or leaving them uncollected is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

6. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he has ordered it or not, is held in law to be a subscriber.

RE MINING LEASES. It is notified for general information that applications for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to lodging the application, to insert in a newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or in the nearest district, an advertisement or notice in the form of a 'V' in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

WOOL RATES. The Railway Commissioner has fixed the following charges for the conveyance of wool per ton:

Table with 2 columns: Destination, Rate. Includes Melbourne, Beaufort, Bungaroo, Dobies, Middle Creek.

IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD. We have received hosts of letters from people who have benefited greatly from the use of Clarke's Blood Mixture.

Of your dry to do peevish nitrow advertising, you will find yourself already like a boy trying to shield a lid down nitrow nitrow.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS. Are you taken in your rest by a sick child suffering with pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

When in Town call and have your Eyesight tested. GRATIS.

London made Pebble Spectacles, 7s. 6d., 10s. 6d., 12s. 6d. per pair. Gold Spectacles or Frames, 30s., 35s., 40s. Guaranteed without speck or flaw.

Advertisement for watches including 'Watch Repairs Guaranteed' and 'Every Article Guaranteed' with an illustration of a pocket watch.

H. A. COLLINS, JEWELLER, 148 Elizabeth-street, Melbourne.

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NOTICE TO APPLICANTS. Attention is called to the following regulations under part 2 of 'The Mines Act 1891'.

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